

Regular meeting of Board of Fire Engineers held March 27, 2006; called to order at 7:05 p.m. In attendance: Chief Al Galinelli, Norman Blank, Robert Miner, Jon Ulmschneider, Chris Stanley, & Carolyn O'Brien. Also in attendance: Ron Pelletier & Anthony Primiano.

Minutes from previous meeting read. J. Ulmschneider made motion, 2nd by R. Miner, to accept as submitted. Motion unanimously passed.

Correspondence: > Eng. 1 given 3 applications.

> Letter from Charlie Oliver distributed to all re: Heart Walk donations.

> Bob Sylvia's family sent thank you notes for Bob's funeral.

Old Business: > 3-5 year plan progressing.

> Gear returns went well; most already returned.

> 2006/07 Budget - seems to be going well. Chief does not think operations budget will be cut. Final budget hearing Sat., April 1st.

> Chili Cook-Off earned apprx. \$600-700; Chief thanked all who participated.

New Business: > Career Day at KMS on April 13th, 8:00-noon. Chief sending engine, Hazards, & rescue. Anyone interested in helping should contact Chief.

> Letter of resignation rec'd from Joe Donato, eff. immediately. He is going to E. Providence full-time.

> DOT to eliminate parking space at corner of Main & Child.

- > Info on Toyota hybrids given to N. Blank for possible training.**
- > Rescue stipends for qtr were \$24,670.**
- > Providence firefighters suffered cyanide poisoning. Air packs are to be used even for overhaul.**
- > Richard Valente req's participation of dept. members in Memorial Day Parade. Chief would like participation also; anyone interested should contact Chief.**
- > Chief has not rec'd physician's release for pregnant member of rescue; releases must be signed by physician, not nurse. He will leave it to rescue lieutenants to handle. Once pregnant, Chief prefers individual do only administrative work (due to exposure possibilities). Chief also advised R. Pelletier for Ladder to not drop Melissa Sousa from their roles until information rec'd from her physician concerning medical issues.**
- > Scholarship applications available from Chief; they need to be returned by May 1st.**
- > There was a small incident at 174 Market fire. One of two individuals who took Hazards was reprimanded, without going through Command. Chief will address issue at Hazards meeting. J. Ulmschneider asked if dispatch sends wrong engine, should correct one respond. Chief said yes, and they should notify dispatch of their response.**
- > Rescue registrations given to A. Primiano to have state inspections done.**
- > There have been controversial issues at rescue hq. Individuals have been waking or throwing out other members, stating it is policy. Chief**

stated only he sets policies, not individual members.

> Rescue wants 9 helmets for trucks; Chief said they already have them. Chief will give new helmets to safety officers before rescue.

> Peter Calenda, Justin Kmeciak, & Kevin Beaulieu not yet paid; they need to fill out paperwork at treasurer's office.

Station Reports: > Sta. 5 generator out. Chimney & corner of building need repairing. Kitchen window need vinyl repaired. Chief said give him names/numbers of anyone you know who may want to take care of these.

Training: > CPR class - nobody attended last one. 40-50 re-certified previously; Chief needs list of attendees.

> Sunday ladder training went well. Chief stated need to be extremely careful with ladder truck; it cannot be abused.

> This year's budget hurting.

> Capt. Jannito, Eng. 1, wants a policy for Child @ Metacom. Chief said even if light is green you are to slow down before proceeding since other town emergency vehicles may also be coming through.

> Anyone on list to attend The Trust's defensive driving class should just go.

> There will be a mandatory defensive driving course at later date presented by individual from Swansea.

> Chief is to be notified first, not company officers, if anything happens to any dept. apparatus.

There being no further business to discuss, J. Ulmschneider made motion, 2nd by N. Blank, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously; meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.